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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of: KARI LAITINEN      Confirmation Number:

Application No.: New (National Phase of      Group Art Unit:  
PCT/FI2005/050019)

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Title: AN ARRANGEMENT IN A MECHANICAL SHAFT SEAL

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Before beginning examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: